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Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas! I hope your Thanksgiving was as wonderful as ours was. Our extended family and friends spent it at Bodega Bay fishing and crabbing; it was delicious as well as fun

November was a busy month at the Club, with the elections and other projects started. Congratulations to our 2018 Board of Officers; I trust that our Club will be in good hands with this newly elected Board.

I would like to thank a few people for the time and effort they have expended in making our Club a better and safer place.

First, to Dr. Dan Lively for spearheading the emergency levee repairs and to all of those who helped in the project, Bob McLean, Don Wilson, Russ Abbott, to name just a few. The levee was failing in some locations, but now it will be able to withstand the winter storms for years to come.

Next, we have the remodelina of the downstairs men's restroom. This has been a long overdue project and thanks are due to Roy Garner for leading the remodel and to Carl Hamilton for his assistance. While not complete at this time, it is sure to be a vast improvement over what we had before.

With this being my final month as Commodore, I would like to offer one final Thank You, and that would be to all of you reading

Commodore Matt Tate

this! We have and enjoy a wonderful Club and it is because of you that it remains so. We, Marianne and I, could not have made it through the year without all the help and support that we were offered. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as 2017 Commodore of Sportsmen Yacht Club. Thank you!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Club or out on the Delta!!!

NOTICE FROM OUR BOARD

The Board is recommending increasing the Dry Storage fees from \$30.00 per quarter to \$37.50 per quarter. This increase would be effective January 1, 2018. This is an increase of \$2.50 per month.





Well, December is upon us and the Holiday Season is in full swing! We have several events to squeeze along with in our otherwise busy schedules. I hope to see many Sportsmen at the Boat Parade, as we are the Host Club this year. I have always enjoyed this event with all the lights and creative ideas for decorating our vessels and it seems to be the official



start of the Christmas Season for me. Let's not forget Old Saint Nick will visiting the grand be Sausalito on December 9th, before his World Tour at the end of the month. This month's Game Night will be the annual Poker Championship. You would have had to qualify earlier in the year to be invited to this event. Good luck and congratulations to the Champ!

Vice Commodore **Robert Babo**

I would also like to mention the New Year's Eve party. Even if you don't plan on ringing in the New Year, join us for a great dinner! (Details on Page 4.) The more the merrier, so make your reservations now. We have scheduled a DJ to dance the night away, a toast at midnight, and a areat safe place to ring in the New Year!

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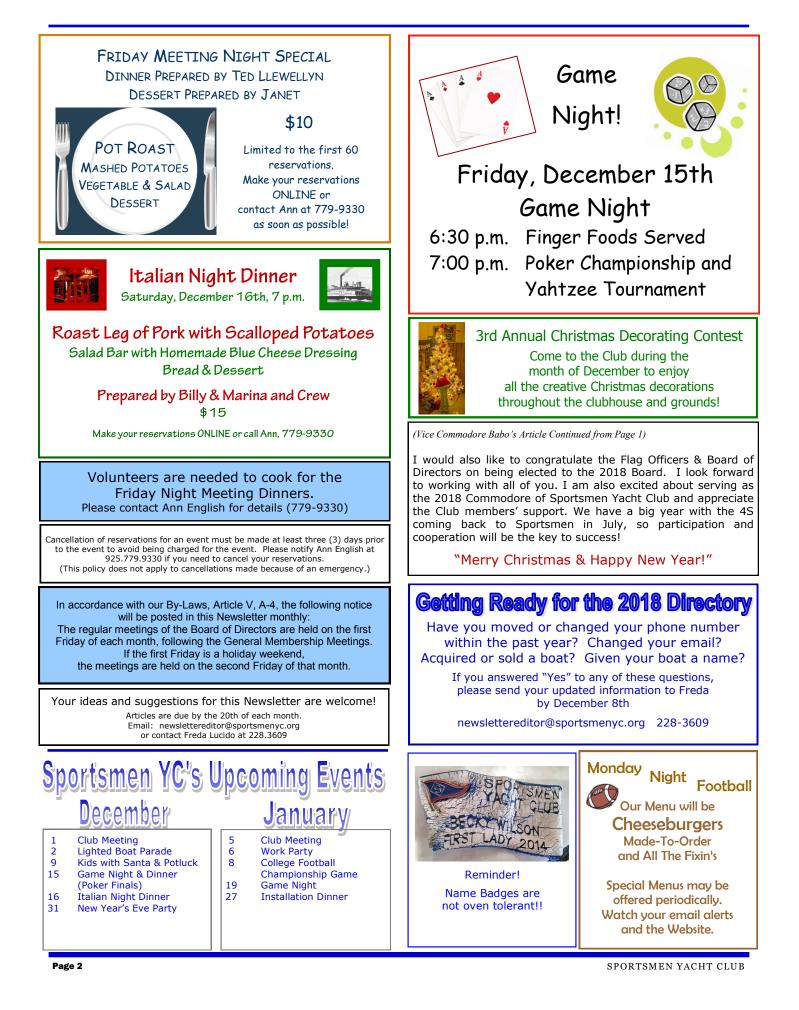
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Rear Commodore Bobby Brown

Happy Holidays Everybody! I hope you all spent quality time with your families and stuffed your bellies with homemade everything for Thanksgiving! My, how this year has flown! I would like to start with saying "Thank You" to:

- ♦ Ann English and Darlene Moore for cooking MNF last month, being bombarded with little cheer girls, and cooking twice what they anticipated—doing it with a smile and on short notice. That is what being a Sportsmen is about.
- Freda Lucido for preparing our newsletters each and every month. You are always on your game.
- Marianne Tate for all your hard work done this entire year and previous. You are amazing!



HISTORIAN'S NOTES

KATHIE HAMMER

Twas a few weeks before Christmas and all through the ferry, not a creature was stirring not even those merry.

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, just waiting for Santa to soon appear.

The children were all sitting on the floor, listening to a Christmas story and singing once more.

Mrs. Hammer gave them all bells so their singing could be heard

and they all sang loud and clear so you could hear each word.

Mr. Hammer was on the radio in touch with the boat that would bring Santa straight to the float.

He let us all know how Santa was doing with feeding his reindeer on West Island and getting ready to board the boat.

The moon on the Delta glittered like snow and the water looked like diamonds below.

When it was time, Mrs. Hammer exclaimed, "Please get your parents and walk carefully outside."

The boat was all lit from bow to stern and Santa was waving to each and everyone.

The children all sat once again and Santa called up each child to sit on his lap and asked them their name.

He gave each a present, then turned with a jerk to return to his reindeer - he knew he had lots of work.

The children all waved goodbye and in the distance up in the sky, they could hear him exclaim as he drove out of sight,

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND TO ALL A GOODNIGHT!"

 Commodore Matt Tate for a solid three years. You have dedicated yourself to the best of your ability to this Club. We thank you.

Welcome to our new Rear Commodore Neal Draper, Treasurer Marianne Tate, and Director Heather Newton. Congratulations to the rest of the Board who are returning including Mr. Babo, as our 2018 Commodore; I look forward to assisting you. It was a pleasure watching and learning how our very intelligent members, both Board and Club members discuss sensitive issues and work through tough ones. I look forward to the 2018 team, and will continue to keep the path of what's right for this Club.

To close out this year, we have some of our most fun events of the year in December:

- * The Lighted Boat Parade on the 2nd. Show your Holiday spirit by tricking out your boat with lights and décor.
- * Santa comes to Sportsmen on the 9th. Bring one gift for each of your little ones (for Santa to give them) and a dish (enough to cover for you and your guests) for our potluck dinner.
- The final Game Night of 2017 will be held on the 15th.
 Who will be crowned the Poker Champion? Good luck to all.
- * Finally, the New Year's Eve Party will close us out and start us off! Happy New Year Sportsmen!!



Dec 6 California Clean Boating Jan 27 Commodores' Ball & Network Meeting Vallejo YC Sequoia YC

Thank you, Morris, for attending the PICYA Awards Dinner at Encinal YC. Congratulations to our friend, Liz Allison, PICYA Past Commodore, for being named the 2017 Douglas Boswell Yachtsman of the Year. This award is presented to a person who has shown outstanding and distinguished service to the yachting community. Congratulations also go to our friend and former neighbor from Ebony Boat Club, PICYA Past Commodore Lenora Clark, who was presented the Robert S. Olson Memorial Poseidon Award. This award is given to a person who, without consideration of reward or recognition, has selflessly given of their time and effort for the greater good of the boating community. Congratulations to all nominees and winners. For a complete list of the awards and winners, please go to the PICYA website.

For the 13th consecutive year, we were presented a Certificate of Perfect Attendance! Thank you for your continued support to PICYA and RBOC.

Thank you, 2017 Sportsmen YC Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs for serving our Club. Morris and I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your PICYA representatives.

Congratulations and best wishes to our 2018 Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Here Comes Santa Claus!!!

Saturday, December 9th

5:15 p.m.

Potluck Dinner 6:00 p.m. Carol Singing with Mrs. Hammer 6:30 p.m. Santa Arrives by Boat



- Invite your family and friends
- *Please bring enough food to* represent you and your quests
- Bring a gift for Santa to give to each child in your party
- Write the child's name, age, and the Sportsmen member's last name on the outside of each child's gift



Come out to enjoy a fun-filled evening! Photos will be taken of the children with Santa



Ring In The New Year! Sunday, December 31st

Tri-Tip Steak with Baked Potatoes Vegetable, Salad, & Dessert Dance into 2018 with DJ Ramon Champagne Toast at Midnight Dinner served at 7 p·m· \$20 There will be a \$5 Cover Charge to enjoy the Evening's Music and Midnight Toast

Make your Reservations ONLINE or call Ann, 779-9330 Reservations requested by December 27th

2018 Installation Dinner & Dance Featuring Chef Faul's Filet Mignon Dinner

Saturday, January 27th Cocktails at 5 p.m. Dinner Served at 6 p.m. Installation of 2018 Officers Following Dinner Music and Dancing After the Evening's Ceremonies

Complete Details in our January Newsletter

Weekend Fishing Derby Results

Sturgeon

1st Place 2nd Place

Ken Williams John Maniz

 $50#4_{oz}$ by drawing

Catfish

1st Place 2nd Place

Jim Dawson Greg Dawson

11 oz. by drawing

Striped Bass

1st Place 2nd Place

Jim Dawson Dave Newton $19#8_{07}$ 8#12 oz.

Thanks to Kevin Wickman for providing the prizes and to all who fished the Derby.

Everyone who came to the Awards Dinner went home with a prize.



In Memory Of...



Bill Worrell passed away on October 28th, following a brief hospitalization. Bill & Sharon joined our Club in 1962. He was 19 years old at the time and finally became a Life Member in 2005 when he was 62 years old—having been a member of our Club for 43 years!

Shari passed away in February 2017, and in the words of their daughter, Sandi, written on November 19th, "Today my parents are celebrating their 56th wedding

anniversary together ... "

Bill was a lifetime Delta resident who, as a young man, enjoyed fishing and boating in our local waterways and later became an advocate for its preservation and protection. In 1959-1960, Bill's father was Commodore of Sportsmen YC. Having grown up at the Club with his parents, Clyde and Wanda, he knew a lot of history and stories going back many years. Bill's children, Sandi and Shawn, also grew up at the Club, with Shawn joining in 1987 making him a third generation member. For years, Bill brought his granddaughters, Kelly & Jenny, for weekend breakfasts at our Club.

More recently, Bill was instrumental in organizing dinners for Boys' Night Out, the annual Pre-Derby Dinner and Fishing Seminars, and acted as an intervener when we were negotiating with the Energy Commission to have the site of the new power plant moved.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Bill's family.

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Q: Why is Christmas just like your job? A: You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit!

